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# Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Anil Khatri

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## Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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## Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 June 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

## Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

## Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

## Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

## DETAILED ACTION

### *Specification*

The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

The following title is suggested: "Method and System For Representing and Accessing Data for Computer Software Applications".

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

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Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by *Claussen et al* USPN 6,718,516.

Regarding claims 1, 11 and 12

*Claussen et al teaches;*

- accessing a custom tag library, wherein the custom tag library includes one or more tags each designating an operation to access data (see figures 3, 4 column 5, lines 25-67, “DOM with custom tag...”),
- defining a script to represent at least a portion of the graphical user interface (column 6, lines 37-53, “custom tags been processed... by run time code”);
- including in the defined script at least one of the tags to enable interaction between the graphical user interface and the functional component (column 7, lines 6-21, “data structure that... proper attribute”).

Regarding claims 2 and 4

*Claussen et al teaches;*

- substituting attribute values, substituting element values, iteration, testing the validity of an expression, or creating a document object model instance (figures 6 and 9, column 7, lines 6-21, “data structure that... proper attribute”, column 11, line 32, “Java code... tag been handler”).

Regarding claims 3, 5 and 6

*Claussen et al teaches;*

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- accessing a custom tag library, wherein the custom tag library includes one or more tags each designating an Xpath operation (see figures 3-8 column 5, lines 25-67, “DOM with custom tag...”),
- defining a Javasever Page (JSP) to represent at least a Portion of the graphical user interface (figure 9, column 5, lines 8-22, “known JSP... pre-parsing routine”);
- including in the defined JSP at least one of the tags to enable interaction between the graphical user interface and the functional component (, column 5, lines 24-50, “DOM with custom tags... an XSL style sheet”, column 7, lines 6-21, “data structure that... proper attribute”).

Regarding claims 7-12

*Claussen et al teaches;*

- receiving information about contents of the document object model (see abstract); and
- defining a user interface including one or more custom tags for accessing the contents of the document object model (column 6, lines 37-53, “custom tags been processed... by run time code”);
- wherein the custom tags facilitate accessing the contents of the document object model by permitting use of operation to access data (figures 3-6, column 2, lines 49-67, “document object model tree.. from the DOM”).

### ***Conclusion***

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

- USPN 6732330

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- USPN 6675354
- USPN 6718515

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Anil Khatri whose telephone number is 703-305-0282. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00 PM.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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